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Dear Ms. Mitchell:

Enclosed please find the following:

- Amendment Transmittal with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 C.F.R. 1.8(a) dated July 16, 2004 (2 pages); and
- 2. Amendment AF in response to final office action malled 05/18/2004 (9 pages).

Best regards.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application. 1.

STATUS

Applicant is an independent inventor. A statement was already filed. 2.

EXTENSION OF TERM

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 3. apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

(37 C.F.R. 1.8 (a))

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Amendment A, including Introductory Comments, Amendments to the Claims, Remarks, and a Terminal Disclaimer is being transmitted by facsimile to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Art Unit 3677, Atm: Ms. Katherine W. Mitchell, (703) 872-9326 on July 16, 2004.

Dated: July 16, 2004

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No additional fee for claims is required.

Very respectfully,

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AMENDMENT

Sir;

In response to the final Examiner's Action mailed 05/18/2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire 08/18/2004, the above-identified patent application is amended a second time as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.